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If You Follow The Advertisers You Will Add to your Income.

PENNSYLVANIANS BEING ARRESTED.

A Number of the Men Implicated in State Horse Graft Getting Theirs.

READY TO GIVE BOND.

Harrisburg, Sept. 18.—Warrants were issued today for the arrest of John H. Sanderson, Geo. E. Payne, Charles F. Wetter, and H. Burd Cassell, contractors, Joseph M. Houston, architect, former auditor and auditor general Snyder and Stile, and Treasurer Mathews on charge of conspiracy to defraud the state in the construction and equipment of the state capitol. Each defendant will be required to furnish bond in the sum of sixty thousand dollars. Snyder is here prepared to accept summons. Mathews is ill at home. Others are said to be on their way here to accept summons.

Warrants were also issued for the arrest of seven others connected with the capitol scandal. This includes all persons mentioned in the investigation and the commission's report, except exstate treasurer Harris, exauditor general Hardenborough and two others.

Alfalfa Field Proves to Be a Gold Mine.

Cottonwood Falls Kan.—John Crawford, who lives near Clements, is one of the most fortunate farmers in the county. He has a acre field from which he cut seven two and three tons of hay stop first two cuttings. Believing it would not be worth while to raise a seed crop, he decided to cut the third crop for hay, but when he was ready to cut he was so busy putting up his other crops that the alfalfa field had to wait until it had stood so long that it was no longer food for hay did he finally get around to cut it. Regretting that he would have to lose the hay Mr. Crawford then decided to let it go to seed.

Last week he cut and threshed the crop and obtained seventy-seven bushels of seed from the twenty acres. Thirty bushels of seed he sold at once for \$9 a bushel, and the remainder will bring at least \$8 a bushel. Besides the first two hay crops which have made \$12 or \$15 to the acre and the seed which is worth at least \$30 more the alfalfa field will now make excellent pasture for stock.

Jacob Schmidt formerly of Pawnee Rock, now of Newton, came in Tuesday on business.

Ira Clarke and son left for eastern Ohio Tuesday for a business and visiting trip of several weeks.

Mrs. Walter Boyd of Haskell came in Tuesday for a visit with home folks, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Miller.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hage, at Rosedale, Kas., a daughter, Olive Grace, mother and child doing nicely and Jack is able to be up for his meals.

Mrs. J. V. Brinkman and Mrs. Arthur Taylor, and daughter Lillian left for Eureka Springs Arkansas on Tuesday where they will visit for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Thatcher went to Kansas City Wednesday to see their son Jay who is with the Alaskan Opera Company who are playing in Kansas City for a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Patterson of Oklahoma are visiting relatives and friends here. They are former Great Bend people with a large number of friends who will be glad to meet them again.

FOREIGN HARVESTS FAVORABLE.

Most Crops Turn out Better Than Expected—Russia Still Blue.

Liverpool, Sept. 18.—Broom hall's weekly foreign crop summary says:

United Kingdom—Owing to the continued favorable weather, harvesting has made good progress during the past week. Early thrashing returns are favorable.

France—It is said that France will be in a position to export wheat this year. In the Northern sections the crop is damp; otherwise the quality is good.

Germany—Harvesting has made fair progress during the week. Supplies continue light, although offerings show an increase.

Denmark—Reports indicate a fair harvest.

Hungary—The outlook for corn has improved, but drouth, which still continues, is hindering plowing.

Romania—Some rain has fallen, which was beneficial to plowing.

Bulgaria—Good rains have fallen, but the corn crop is expected to be only one half of the usual one.

Russia—Some reports indicate that supplies will be larger, but many complaints were heard of the quality of arrivals. Reports regarding seeding of wheat are favorable, while those of corn continue unfavorable.

Italy—The wheat crop, according to harvest indications, is of the best quality.

Australia—Latest reports indicate that the drouth continues.

Frank Millard was visiting in Hoisington Monday.

Mrs. E. Robe is visiting at Hutchinson this week.

J. H. Biggs was in Sterling Tuesday on business.

There will be an adjourned day of Court Monday Sept. 23d.

Orvill Grubb of Liberty Illinois is here on a visit to his brother Lou.

Ed. Shaw of Saint Louis was visiting the Cyclone people Tuesday.

Jay Swift went to Hutchinson Tuesday evening and will take in the fair.

Sherman Mossbarger was here from Pawnee Rock on business Tuesday.

Geo Black of Pueblo is here visiting his uncle, W. H. Zutavern and family.

Reg Gary and wife were down from Albion Tuesday visiting and shopping.

Mrs. Nellie Livingston left on Tuesday for an extended visit at Fort Smith Arkansas.

M. L. Crow has received the contract for painting and kalsomining the new school building and Library.

Mrs. Ben Myers of Millard went home Monday after a weeks visit with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Frank Millard.

Miss Julia Miller and Mrs. Kattie Tracy and daughter Ruth, were the guests of Mrs. Henry Zimmer Sunday.

Elmer Epperson and Blaine Bunting joined the Clafin Band at Hutchinson Tuesday morning to help them play for the fair.

Mrs. W. G. Moore and baby have returned from a years stay at Portsmouth Ohio where Mrs. Moore has been for treatment for the infant. She is reported as being much improved.

G. L. Bryant has purchased some purebred Doroc Jersey pigs which will be the foundation of a good herd of hogs which he expects to keep on his ranch in the Salem Valley neighborhood. —Cimmaron Jacksonian.

THE STANDARD'S IMMENSE PROFITS.

Profits Aggregating Nearly Half a Billion Dollars Earned.

CONTROLS NINETEEN OTHERS

New York, Sept. 18.—The taking of testimony in the government's suit to dissolve the Standard Oil Company was resumed today. It is likely a strenuous fight will be waged over the production of the books which Frank B. Kellogg, the government's counsel, believe contains minutes of the meetings of the liquidation of the trustees who issued the shares of Standard stock in exchange for the certificates of stock in the nineteen companies the control of which he contends was taken over by the Standard company of New Jersey after the dissolution of the Standard of Ohio.

The profits of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana in 1906 were \$10,516,082, and in 1903 \$8,753,410. This is the corporation which is capitalized at a million dollars and which was recently fined by Judge Landis at Chicago in the sum of \$29,240,000. These figures were brought out in the hearing today. The statement as presented shows the profits of the Standard Oil Co. of Indiana were greater than the profits of any other company whose figures were given except the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey.

Profits aggregating \$490,315,934 were made by the Standard Oil Company in the seven years from 1899 to 1906. Testimony to this effect was given by assistant Comptroller Fay of the company in the federal hearing here today. In the same period the company's gross assets increased from \$200,791,623 to \$371,644,531. This is the first time the company earnings, have been made public.

A list of securities owned by the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey presented today shows that that corporation owns 9990 shares of stock of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana. In addition to stating that in the period of seven years referred to the company's total profits aggregated \$490,315,934 Mr. Fay said that dividends to the amount of \$308,359,430 were paid in these years. His statement also disclosed that the capital stock of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey was \$96,998,612 in 1899 and \$98,338,382 in 1906.

For Sale.

Span good work and driving horses 6 years old, perfectly sound. 1 wagon, 1 set work harness, 1 Stanhope 2 seated rubber tired carriage.

Max Shaffer, Phone 277a5.

Secretary of Agriculture Coburn, who has more friends than any other man in the state, writes as follows to a Douglas county friend: "Every farm in Douglas county will be worth more money with a wide awake fair every year, than without." What applies to Douglas county applies to Barton. Let's continue to hold fairs.

Oscar Brown is in Hutchinson seeing the fair.

John T. Unruh is very sick with typhoid fever.

Howard Torrance, the Ellinwood attorney was here Tuesday on legal business.

"Ollie Miller" who won a pretty little race here last Friday, won in the same way at Hutchinson Tuesday. She lost her first heat and then took the next three.

JUDGE HUMPHREY DIES IN TOPEKA.

One of the Cleanest Men in the State of Kansas Ever Knew.

MEMBER TAX COMMISSION.

Topeka, Sept. 18.—Judge James Humphrey of Junction City, a member of the state tax commission, died here early today. He had been sick three weeks. Judge James Humphrey was one of the leading democrats of the state, and was a member of the first board of railroad commissioners.

Note—In the death of Judge Humphrey the state of Kansas loses one of its cleanest and ablest citizens. He served an honorable career on the bench, also for a number of years as a member of the state board of railroad commissioners, having been appointed by Gov. Glick when the first railroad law was passed. As a member of the board it was Judge Humphrey who heard and considered complaints as to rates and discriminations, who ordered the companies to change, and they generally obeyed. Not only did he make an order correcting the cause of the complaint in hearing, but he made an order correcting the ratio all along the line. His reports and decisions furnished very interesting reading now, in those times of rate legislation agitation.

Judge Humphrey was born in England, and was passed 74 years of age. He has lived in Kansas for more than fifty years, having made his home for the greater part of the time in Junction City. It was our pleasure to for a his acquaintance during the last state campaign, and to accompany him on some of his trips, and we can truthfully say that one has gone whom the state can not afford to lose.

GERMAN EXPEDITION LOST.

Almost Twenty Days Overdue and No Tidings Received at all.

Berlin, Sept. 18.—A telegram from Advent Bay states that nothing has been heard from the William Bruce expedition which left the base of supply almost a month ago with the intention of returning on August 28th. Bruce was accompanied by Captain Boages Ormer, a companion of the Prince of Monaco, and Captain John, former companion of Dr. Nanson.

Lehigh Valley Express Wrecked.

Easton, Pa., Sept. 17.—The Lehigh Valley express train from Buffalo to New York was wrecked today near Pattenberg tunnel in New Jersey. A number of train men and passengers were injured, none of the latter fatally. The train was running at a high rate of speed when the engine jumped from the track and jumped down the mountain side.

Mrs. Ellen Coughlin went to Hoisington Tuesday evening for a short visit.

A new sidewalk is being built along the north side of Block 15 in the A. V. T. Co. addition.

Mrs. John Fansheir of Seward left Tuesday morning for Jetmore to visit relatives, for several days.

Mrs. Marte Swift left for Hutchinson Tuesday evening and will visit her sister Mrs. John Cochran several days.

Bernard McGinty has bought another lot of Jacob Rediger as an addition to his home property in the 4th ward.

LIBRARY ASSOCIATION DATES.

Kansas State Meeting at Newton With Good Program, Oct. 9-11.

Newton, Kan., Sept. 18.—The Kansas Library association has announced its seventh annual meeting to be held in Newton, October 9-11. An important matter to be presented is the proposed bill asking the Kansas legislature to create the office of state library organizer. It will be presented by J. L. King, state librarian.

"Book Selection and Book Buying" is to be the subject of an address by Miss Mary Cornelia Lee, public librarian at Manhattan, and discussed by Miss Sara Judd Greenman. Other addresses will be:

"Public Documents in Small Libraries," Miss Katharine P. Stuckey, Emporia, State Normal library.

"Foreign Libraries," Miss Jessie Dean, Topeka, librarian, Roswell library, Washburn college.

"Libraries in Federal Institutions," Lieutenant Colonel E. B. Fuller, Fort Leavenworth, librarian United States Staff college. Libraries in State Institutions, Miss Clara Francis, Topeka, State Historical society.

"Report of the A. L. A. Meeting," Mrs. Della E. Brown, Salina, librarian public library.

"Library Associations in General and the American Library Association in Particular," Arthur Elmore Bostwick, chief of the circulating department of the New York public library and president A. L. A.

Miss Lida N. Blooming public librarian of Abilene, is president, and Mrs. Nellie G. Beatty, the Lawrence public librarian, is secretary of the state association.

Mississippi After Railroads.

Jackson, Miss., Sept. 18.—The grand jury of this county has reported true bills against every railroad in the state for their alleged failure to file statements showing the number of passes issued, and to whom, as the law directs.

His Alfalfa Paid Well.

Wellington, Sept. 17.—"Mac" Ferguson has just finished threshing the alfalfa on 16 acres south west of Slate creek. Out of the hay which he cut during the season he received \$275. The last crop he cut was threshed last week and the seed sold, for which he received \$420. This is over \$43 per acre and he has his land and alfalfa field left.

Accident on Japanese Battleship.

Tokio, Sept. 17.—Forty of the crew on board the Japanese battleship Kashima, were killed and injured by an explosion following target practice near Kure, on September 9th. The Kashima was under the command of Captain Koizumi. The fatalities included one lieutenant, two cadets, and one staff officer. The explosion was a terrific one, and the ship was badly damaged. A majority of those close by at the time were fearfully mutilated.

E. R. Jones R. A. of the Wells Fargo Co., was here Wednesday on business.

Miss Hazel Harris and brother James left for Manhattan Wednesday and will attend College there the coming term.

Ed. Childs and Mr. Wagner and wife of Hoisington were in town Tuesday morning on their way home from Hodgeman County.

Mrs. J. H. Biggs went to Nickerson Monday evening to attend the missionary Rally and visit her mother and brothers and their families.

MORE TROUBLE FOR KOREANS.

Unless They Quit Fussing Japan Will Annex Them at Once.

INSURGENTS GET TOGETHER.

Tokio, Sept. 19.—The possibility that the Japanese may have to annex Korea has again arisen. Marquis Ito is quoted as having said that if the Korean people persist in their attitude to unfriendliness it will be the last day for them. The insurgents are said to be gathering around Seoul to attack it.

OKLAHOMA DEMOCRATIC AND DRY.

Haskell's Majority Will be Upwards of 30,000

Muskogee, I. T., Sept. 19.—Indications point to an increasing majority in the State election for the Democratic ticket. It is believed that prohibition has carried by 30,000. The constitution has been indorsed by a vote of three to one.

C. N. Haskell claims today that Governor Frantz will not carry more than fifteen counties in the State. He bases his figures on his unofficial reports received from seventy of the seventy seven counties in the State. He says his majority will reach 40,000 and this is borne out by the estimate of J. E. Thompson, Democratic State chairman.

Mr. Haskell says he is satisfied that the Legislature will be strongly Democratic. Relative to prohibition, he believes the State will carry for prohibition by 40,000 and says that if the people vote prohibition, he will see that the law is enforced. Democrats here are claiming that they will elect every congressman in the State, unless the official count very materially alters the present count. Colonel Robert L. Owen and Senator T. P. Gore will be elected United States Senators.

Mrs. G. R. Overmire and two children will leave Sunday evening for Ashland, Oregon for an extended visit with relatives.

Mr. B. F. Wilson and children went home to LaCrosse this morning after a visit here with the family of T. B. White.

Mrs. Max Moore and son Herold and daughter Helen went to Hutchinson this morning where they will visit Mrs. Harry Mayberry.

Grant Pile and family are down from Dighton this morning. Grant is looking after his father, A. L. business while he is at the fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Kline of Storgis who have been looking over the state and visiting Dr. Brown, and wife, left for their home this morning.

Mrs. Oliver Batman of the south side was unfortunate enough to run a nail in her foot a day or two ago and now has a very serious wound.

Misses Margaret Osmond, Norma Merring, and Pearl Emley, went to Lawrence this morning where they will continue their studies at the State University.

Among others on their way to Hutchinson Wednesday morning we noticed I. S. Scamhorn of Heizer, Lee Morgan of Heizer, A. G. Bortz of Rush county, Louie Zutavern, Chas. Brooker, D. A. Banta and Fred Zutavern.